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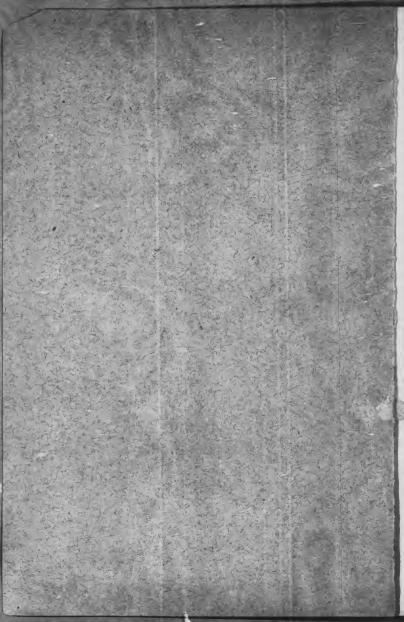
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Carey Baptist Association





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MINUTES OF THE FORTY-FIFTH & ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Carey Baptist Association

Held with Spring Hill Baptist Church, Clay County, Ala., October 3, 4 and 5 ****

1899



OFFICERS:

REV. W. T. DAVIS, MODERATOR, Lineville, Ala. J. A. BELL, CLERK AND TREASURER, Lineville, Ala.

The next session of the Carey Baptist Association will be held with Providence Baptist Church, near Hackneyville, Ala., commencing on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1900.



PRESS OF OUR MOUNTAIN HOME, TALLADEGA, ALA, 1888.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

The Moderator shall call the meeting to order.

Read the letters and enroll the names of messengers.

Elect a Moderator and Clerk.

The Clerk shall be Treasurer.

Moderator appoint Committees on Preaching and Finance.

Read Abstract of Principles, Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

Call for Petitionary Letters.

Receive Correspondents from sister Associations.

Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations and Comentions,

Call for reports of Standing Committees.

Approve places of holding district meetings.

Appoint a person to wri e Corresponding Letters.

The Preaching Committee to report who shall preach the Introductory Sermon at the next ession.

Appoint time and place of holding the next session of this Association.

Hear the Report on Finance.

Consider resolutions that may be entertained by the body.

Miscellaneous business.

MINUTES.

The ministers and messengers composing the Forty-fifth Annual Session of the Carey Baptist Association assembled with the Baptist Church at Spring Hill on Tuesday, the 3rd day of October, 1899, at 11 o'clock A. M.

After singing and prayer, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. C. J. Bently. Text 1 Cor., 15:58.

AFTERNOON SESSION-1:45 P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. W. T. Davis, and after devotional exercises, conducted by Bro. James Toland, the letters from the churches were read by O. P. Bentley, T. B. Fargason and J. C. Motley; and the following messengers from the churches were enrolled:

FIRST DISTRICT.

ASHLAND—L. G. Dean, C. J. Rasco and W. I. Lowe. HATCHETT CREEK—W. T. Dison and M. L. Ponder. FRIENDSHIF—G. W. WYIII and P. A. Jones. LIBERTY—J. W. Walker, J. D. Hallman and P. T. Wood. MOUNT LEBANON—J. L. Campbell and J. S. Wade. SPRING HILL—N. M. HOFILDS and J. G. HOFI. POLE BRIDGE—A. O. Grant and J. T. D. Dison. ROCK HILL—Not represented. ANTION (Clay)—NOt represented.

SECOND DISTRICT.

MOUNT ZION—M. V. Nichols and R. W. Allen.
NEW SALEM—Willis Hickey, Jacob Lindsey and Thos. Meadows.
MILLENPILLE—Phelix Parsons, J. W. Martin and Henry Linton.
PROVIDENCE—E. W. Varnon, E. C. Holdridge and J. W. Bailey.
ROCK SPRINGS—B. F. Luker and J. G. Stewart.

SARDIS—L. B. Gibson and W. G. H. Blanks. UNION HILL—W. J. Williams. ROCK CREEK—P. H. Mahan and Frank Moody. BIG SPRINGS—Not represented.

THIRD DISTRICT.

BETHEL, (Clay)—J. C. Galleway and John Truett.
BETHEL, (Talladega)—Not represented.
COUNTY LIVE—H. H. Baird and E. J. Fargason.
CORINTH—T. D. Dawkins and T. J. Preston.
MELLOW VALLEY—J. W. Dean and W. S. Miller.
HOLLEY SPRINGS—W. M. Muncus and W. R. Wilkerson.
MOUNT PISGAH—S. E. M. Rice and J. T. Thrift.
MOUNT OLIVE—Not represented.
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MOUNTAIN SPRINGS—W. G. Worthy, Jessee James and W. A.
Granberry.
DAVISTON—J. D. Dunn, W. C. Catney and C. C. Fargason.
LYSTRA—J. W. Dean and C. Tenney.
UNION—J. L. Edwards and G. W. McLain.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

LINEVILLE—J. E. Moon, J. W. Moon and J. A. Bell. New Hope—Not represented. SALEM—Lovic Browning, P. Miller, S. Y. Lamberth. SHILOH—T. J. Ray and A. L. Joiner.

Call for petitionary letters. Received a letter from Mellow Valley Baptist Church. Church was admitted into the Association. Shiloh church was re-admitted to membership in the Association.

W. D. Davis was re-elected Moderator, and J. A. Bell was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

By request of Spring Hill Church, Rev. W. T. Davis delivered a welcome address to the Association.

J. Bentley responded to the Address of Welcome, which he did in his most pleasant style.

The Moderator announced the following committees to report at the present session:

PREACHING COMMITTEE—J. W. Walker, M. W. Whatley and the messengers from Spring Hill Church.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—J. E. Moon, Felix Parsons and J. T. D. Dison.

On motion, of L. G. Dean the Association adjourned until 8: 30 A. M., Wednesday.

The messengers were assigned homes.

The Preaching Committee announced that Rev. J. R. Stodghill would preach at night.

After singing and prayer the Association was adjourned until 8:30 A. M. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 4-8:30 A. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Devotional exercises conducted by Brethren J. J. McCord and W. M. Garrett,

Correspondents for sister Associations were received as follows:

CENTRAL—Rev. O. P. Bently.
CLAY COUNTY—W. M. Garrett.
COOSA RIVER—D W. Shadix.

On motion by T. B. Fargason the appointment of correspondents was omitted, and a resolution adopted that any member of this Association being present at the session of any Association with which we correspond, is authorized to report himself as a correspondent for this body.

The following brethren were appointed to go to the State Convention which convenes at Gadsden, viz: J. R. Stodghill, C. J. Bentley, J. R. Conger, W. T. Davis, C. T. Culpepper, J. W. Dean, M. W. Whatley, W. O. Jenkins, J. A. Dunn, and G. C. Read.

On motion J. R. Stodghill was appointed to go to the Southern Baptist Convention which convenes at Little Rock. Ark. C. J. Bentley, alternate.

On motion the three reports on Missions—State, Home and Foreign—were read. These reports were discussed by Brethren M. W. Whatley, J. C. Motley, F. L. Fuller and C. J. Bentley.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and the report on Ministerial Education was read. Discussed by brethren H. J. Willingham, J. R. Stodghill, J. J. McCord, F. L. Fuller, O. P. Bentley, and C. J. Bentley. A collection was taken up for the Institute Work and Ministerial Education. Collected \$8.47. Amount added by Rev. J. J. McCord (cash) \$5.00. Total \$13.47.

On motion, the body adjourned for one hour and a half

for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION-1:30 P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. After singing, and prayer by Rev. F. L. Fuller, the discussion of the mission report was continued by Brethren J. R. Stodghill, O. P. Bentley, M. W. Garrett, C. T. Culpepper, J. C. Galloway, and J. J. McCord.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 8:30 Thurs-

day.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5-8:30 A. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. F. L. Fuller, the discussion on missions was continued by Bro. J.
R. Conger and adopted.

On motion, the speeches on the reports to follow were limited to five minutes, except the chairman of the report, and he allowed ten minutes.

Report on Sunday school read. Discussed by Bro. J. D. Dunn.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and the following resolution was adopted, with report.

RESOLVED, that a President and Vice-President be appointed, whose duty it shall be to call a Convention of Messengers from the various churches in this Association to organize an Associational Sunday School Convention, to further the interests of Sunday schools in our midst. The officers selected were; President, M. W. Whatley; Vice-President, J. E. Moon.

Report on Bible and Calportage was read. Discussed by Brethren C. J. Bentley, J. J. McCord, J. C. Motley, J. R. Stodghill, W. O. Jenkins, and adopted.

Report on Temperance read and adopted.

The Executive Committee reported that on account of the lack of funds they did nothing. Report adopted. Report on Orphans' Home read, and a collection was taken up. The report was adopted. Collection \$10.00.

Report on Periodicals read and adopted.

Report on Finance was read by the chairman, Felix Parsons, and adopted—with the understanding that the Clerk correct any error that may be found.

Letters of dismission were granted to Good Hope and Mt. Zion churches.

Clerk was appointed to write corresponding letter.

Voted that the next session of this body be held with Providence church, to convene on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1900. Preaching Committee announced that Rev. J. R. Stodghill would preach the introductory sermon. C. J. Bentley, alternate.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLVED, IST, That the Clerk be allowed fifteen dollars for his services in the printing of the minutes.

20, That the thanks of this Association be tendered the Spring Hill Baptist Church and community for their generous hospitality during our stay among them.

3D, Whereas, there is much need of scattering religious literature throughout our county, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That our pastors be requested to appoint a committee in each of their churches on religious literature, this committee to supervise, under the pastor's direction, this bible and colportage work in their community.

WHEREAS, since the last session of our Association God has called from our midst our esteemed and worthy Brethren and Pastors Rev. M. M. Driver and M. B. Garrett, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we make due note of their death in our minutes and that a page thereof be set apart to the memory of each.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following amounts were pledged to help defray the school expenses of Rev. F. L. Fuller. The amounts to be paid without unnecessary delay and forwarded to the Clerk, J. A. Bell:

Ashland Church, \$ 5 00	Antioch Church, \$ 2 50
Bethel Church, (Clay), 2 00	Daviston Church, 5 00
Friendship Church, 2 00	Hatchett Creek Church, 2 00
Liberty Church, 2 00	Lineville Church, 15 00
Millerville Church, 3 50	New Salem Church, 2 00
Providence Church, 5 00	Rock Springs Church, . 2 50
Shiloh Church, 3 50	Spring Hill Church, 2 50
Union Church, 2 50	Union Hill Church, 50
Total	\$62.50

The Sunday School Convention will meet to organize and hold the first session of the Convention on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April, 1900, and continue two days in connection with the fifth Sunday meeting at Millerville, which begins on Friday before. By order of the Chairman Pro Tem.

M. W. WHATLEY

The following churches report Sunday Schools:

Antioch, (Tal.), Truett. Corinth, Wesobulga. Good Hope, Cherry. Liberty, Ashland. Mellow Valley, Mellow Valley. Shiloh, Maitland. Union, Motley. Ashland, Ashland. Daviston, Daviston. Hatchett Creek, Hatchett Creek. Lineville, Lineville Providence, Hackneyville. Spring Hill, Idaho. Ashland, Ashland.

Fifth Sunday meetings:

Fifth Sunday in April, beginning on Friday before, to convene with the church at Millerville.

Fifth Sunday in July, and beginning on Friday before, will convene with Union church.

There being no further business, the Association adjourned, after being led in prayer by Rev. F. L. Fuller.

W. T. DAVIS, Moderator. JAS. A. Bell, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEXT SESSION.

- STATE MISSIONS-M. W. Whatley, N. M. Hornsby and W. C. Brooks.
- HOME MISSIONS—J. R. Stodghill, S. Y. Lambreth and G. W. Wynn. FOREIGN MISSIONS—C. J. Bently, C. T. Culpepper and G. L. Griffin. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—J. C. Motley, J. L. Edwards and J. C. Galloway.
- INSTITUTE WORK-J. R. Conger, F. L. Fuller and W. H. Harvell. BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE-J. A. Dunn, M. A. Johnson and J. C.

- Motley.

 Temperance—J. J. McCord, H. H. Baird and T. J. Preston.

 Executive Committee—A. P. Oslin, E. A. Phillips; J. W. Walker,

 L. B. Gibson and J. W. Moon.

 ORPHANS' HOME—C. C. Heard, A. D. Thompson and L. B. Champion. Periodicals-T. B. Fargason, R. W. Claybrook and J. W. Wright.

FINANCE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report: We find acc

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companying the church letter	s		
For Minutes, cash			\$ 45 97
State Missions-			
Cash		20 05	
Voucher		32 92	53 00
Home Missions-			
Cash			
Voucher		48 15	74 33
Foreign Missions-			
Cash		35 61	
Voucher		34 81	70 42
Institute Work—			
Cash			
Voucher		37 13	82 17
Ministerial Education-			
Cash			
Voucher		7 50	7 50
Howard College-			
Cash		2 50	

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Voucher									5	90	8	00
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.					
To amount received from: Finance Committee	6	0	0		
Total				\$251	41
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Sy am't on hand for Bible and Colportage work		_		# 3	99
By am't paid W. C. Bledsoe, State Missions				20	65
By am's raid W. C. Bledsoe, Home Missions				26	38
Sv am't paid W. C. Bledsoe, Foreign Missions	-	-		35	61
Ny am't naid W. A. Hobson, Ministerial Education			-	9	20
Sv am'i paid Jno. W. Stewart, Orphans' Home	-		178	=9	66
By am't paid J. F. Purser, Institute Work		-			74
Total	_			\$2=2	4.7

Nors-After making up minutes, received from Mr. Calvary Church cash, 5: So. voacher, \$1.00.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

Drive Services: The Carey Raptist Association has just held

to Propositiful Annual Session. We trust that the Holy Spirit prompted us in all the husiness we transacted, and that much good in the name of the Masset was

intelevances

We kind is received and gladly welcomed your discresspondents, and count issuand our beothern to arrend your various sessions, which we beer they wildow A few, grand old men, who have kinds are rested from their labors, aided it the Constitution of this Association. Some of us have often wondered why it was that these aged received so octen the name "Carey" for this, their small healty of Bareless. We have never homored the examples of the immortal Carey is whom we were named. But these noble old met declined is Association with their prayers and tears, and that how we are justed to be considered in the interface.

Our present sess on made the best recorded all his meanings, and that the lime score where Our Heavenly Eather will archimodistic as as it is observed and faithful observed. Many at our churches had no applications proper. They seem at might man "Our

Articles of Faith" are going to sweep the world, and that to "Wait and see the salvation of the Lord," is the most important thing to be done. But it only requires a casual view to see that we are yielding ground to other denominations.

Perhaps many of our churches make and observe too slack rules. They do not support pastors; they do not pay to missions; they do not read and study the Bible, and other religious literature. feel sadly the want of "Baptist enterprise."

In conclusion, we solicit you to continue your correspondence with us; and may He who doeth all things well, bless and prosper Fraternally. and spiritualize us all. J. A. BELL, Clerk.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Board of Missions is a committee composed of brethren from different sections of the State; chosen by the Baptists of the State met in convention, and is the servant of the churches, subject to their instruction and subservient to their will. This is an unpaid committee, appointed to oversee the co-operative effort of the churches of the State and the fruits of their labors reflect the spirit of the churches, whether it be selfish and sordid, or liberal and Christ-like.

This committee has the oversight of all the mission interests in the State. Their first and great work is to strengthen the weak, and

build up the waste places of our own beloved Alabama.

"The Gospel is the power of God unto Salvation to every one that believeth." We would co-operate with our sister churches through this committee (or board) to preach the Gospel to every creature in the State; and as we believe the word of God is the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice for Christians, we would unite with our brethren through this channel to induce the followers of Christ to walk in the revealed way of Divine Wisdom, rather than in the wisdom and traditions of men. This oneness of purpose and effort with Christ and with one another, we believe to be the will of God and the duty of His children. This oneness for which our Savior prayed the Father, and enjoined upon His disciples, with no law to enforce save the law of love upon the individual conscience and His revealed will, has ever been conducive to growth in favor with God and with men. Therefore, we would extend the hand of fellowship to our brethren in all parts of this great State, and say to them, in obedience to the command of our Lord and Master, we are ready to labor with you to the building up of the waste places in every nook and corner of the State, and telling the sweet story of the Gospel to every benighted creature of God's creation in our State.

THE OVERSIGHT OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE STATE.

2. As we know that God's love is not bounded by State lines, we also know that our duty is not limited to this little spot upon God's globe; therefore, we extend the hand of fellowship to our sister states, and say to them we are ready to labor with you to the salvation of every soul in our home-land

For three hundred years God has smiled upon this land of liberty and love, because of His Bible in their homes, and His law in their hearts. We would fellowship you in every effort to magnify His word and extol His name among the people in this sisterhood of states; Therefore, we would co-labor with you to have the Gospel proclaimed from every hill-top that over-shadows the home of an American citizen.

POREIGN MISSIONS IN THE STATE.

2. The Spirit of God, enthroned in the hearts, and ruling in the lives of the children of redemption, is possessed with boundless love, and would extend the helping hand to every creature upon the earth for which Christ has died: Therefore, we would open wide the arms of our affections, and extend the hand of fellowship to our brethren in co-operative effort to give the Gospel to every benighted creature of every nation under the sun.

GENERAL.

For some years our denominational affairs in the State have been hampered with debt. Howard College has groaned under a heavy burden of this sort; during this year our State Mission Secretary, in one-speration with many brethren, has labored effectually to the raising of \$50.000,00, and thus have freed our beloved Howard, and liberated our State Buard. With this great barrier removed, the future gives promise of greater victories than we have known for many years.

May the spirit of love that has enthused many hearts to the accomplishment of this glorious victory, lay hold upon the consciences, and burn with ferror upon the altars of our hearts to the awakening if this sleeping giant of the hills; and may the old Carey sound the toesin that will awaken many slothful Christians, and lead the churches to a co-operative effort that will send the message of love around the world.

J. R. STODGHILL, Chairman Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Among the fields in which our Home Board has hitherto been proceeding its work, may be mentioned some of our large and rapidly growing cities, the great and growing West and Southwest, toolming Indian Territory, Oklahoma, and on toward the Pacific slope. The mountain districts of most of the states east of the Mississippi river, and extending southward to Cuba. The signal manner in which God's biessing has rested upon this department of our mission work, commends it to our most profound and loving consideration. We give here an up-to-date report of the work done by the Home Board the present year. Your attention is directed to some against given us in the report submitted at the last meeting of our State Convention, showing the amount of work done the previous rear.

Amount raised and expended on the field for missions, \$65,555. There was collected and expended in building houses of worship on the field, \$40,000,32; making a total of money raised on the field, \$113,560,11. Total cash received by Home Board from all the states, \$61,794,28. Number of missionaries employed, \$63, Total number of additions to charches, \$12,963.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, make the following report: God commissioned our Savior to come to earth as the great missionary from heaven. This first missionary gave his life for the salvation of man, and when he returned to the Father, He commissioned-his people to carry on the work. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," was and is His earnest injunction. This command embraced all missionary work.

Paul, the great missionary to the Gentiles, in obedience to his Lord's command, spent his life traveling and writing. This important work during the dark ages had lapsed to a great extent. So much so, that nothing was being done to break the bread of life to the heathen. Then it was that God called an humble Baptist shoemaker to revive under this great commission. When in a meeting of Baptists he gave utterance to these impressions, he was admonished by an elder to take his seat, and informed that when God wanted the heathen converted, He would convert them. But the seed sown in Wm. Carey's heart were in good ground, and he lived to see many in India and Burma converted to Christ and the modern mission cause put in motion which, under God, is destined to give Christ to the world. Brethren, our work is just begun. Two-thirds of the world have not yet heard of a Savior.

The Southern Baptists are doing Foreign Mission work in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Japan. The tables on pages 19

and 20 will afford information on this work.

Your Committee believe that this Scripture would be an appropriate text to preach a sermon on Foreign Missions, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." By the aid of the steamship, railroad train, telegraph and cable lines, all the world is fast becoming our neighbor. Under the guiding hand of our Father these agencies are being used for Christianization of the world. Will we, as Baptists, honor the cause of Christ, and emulate the worthy name of Carey, by doing our duty to ourselves, to God's cause, and to those who are perishing for want of the bread of life?

At the 1898 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, it was agreed to undertake to increase the work 25 per cent. We hope the Carey will agree to shoulder her share of this new responsibility. Many consecrated men and women are offering their services; shall

we deny them an opportunity to obey the Master?

M. W. Whatley, Chairman.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

When the Holy Spirit calls a man to preach the Gospel, every noble impulse of the man should prompt him to do his own part in becoming prepared for the great work. It is not enough to say that God always fills the mouth of him who proclaims from the pulpit, nor are we justified in holding to the theory that when the Master calls a man to the ministry he is prepared, in every way, to honor God and serve mankind with his full powers. The Divine hand was placed upon Moses that he should do a certain work; yet, the Lord kept him a dweller among the mountains of Midian forty years before he was allowed to begin it. No one questions the wisdom of a right preparation before engaging in any great undertaking. God does His preparatory work by "calling" a man: The one called must do his part by fitting himself in every way possible to honor

the call.

The preachers in this country, who began their work many years ago were pioneers, whose educational opportunities afforded no adequate means of securing an education. They did a grand and noble work, which only such men could do. Those who are to enter upon the work in the new century, which is just dawning, will not be pioneers: nor will they preach to pioneers. They must be educated men preaching to educated people. No matter whether in cirv, village or country, unless they be educated, they will not be able to reach the ear of the people as God would have them. Following the example of Paul who could "become all things to all men," the preachers of the future, preaching to educated people, must themselves be educated.

In this day of so great opportunities, a young man honored of God is almost without excuse when he enters upon the highest of callings without having been diligent in preparing himself to speak for God. Last year twenty-one ministerial students attended Howard College. Twice that number should be there to-day. Of coarse, hundreds of others were pursuing their studies in other schools of the State, and we congratulate the brethren in expressing the belief that within our own bounds this all-important work is keeping step to the music of God's bugle calls, and our leaders. His screams, will bear aloft and well advanced the bunner of our Caprain.

our King Immanuel. Respectfully submitted,

H. J. WILLINGHAM, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTE WORK

RETHERN: It is important that the work being attempted by any of our Boards should be fully understood by our people, so that they may intelligently determine their duty.

The Institute Board was created by our State Convention in 1897, and charged with arranging of Institute Work among the white

preschers of the State.

The State Board of Missions recommended the creation of the Institute Board, that it might be relieved of the duty of conducting Institute Work, and with hope that it might be done more sunisfactors a call officerally by a different Board.

Now what is the special work of the Institute Board?

It is a denominational effort to reach and belp our field ministry, or common's study, and in all else relating to the general performance of their day. It is the hope of the Board that our work may rend to broaden the fellowship and acquaintance of our preachers, that we may have the benefit of their co-operation in all our great denom-nations corresponds.

To accomplish this, we think, would be an important achieve-

We conclude that this is the most important and hopeful work become the demonstration, and until it is accomplished by this or some solve access, the demonstration will work at great disadvantage.

The reach out preachers in the home of accomplishing this desirtive end, we are holding Institutes where the passure are willing that the should be held, and will make arrangement for emertainment, et. The Basind does not attempt to force the meetings upon the characters and pastors, and hence they have me, apparently, been properly distributed over the State.

These Institutes are of five or Six days duration. The instructed is attempted by lectures. Bro. G. S. Anderson is our Superintendent of Institute Work, and delivers about ten lectures at each Institute on the law of discourse as applied in Sermon Structure. This is a new feature in Institute work, and has been very helpful to our preaches attending our meetings. Our brethren deliver lectures on other subjects. The Board attempts to use our strongest menpastors in our work. The Board means to help our pastors and to do it with all our might, using the men we have in our employment, and also our wisest and best pastors as we can. Some have helped us, and some have ignored us. We still appeal to them for their aid. It is a fact that more than three-fourths of our pastors, who are in charge of our village and country churches, have been denied the benefits of special college and seminary training. The schools cannot reach them, nor can they reach the schools. They are among our best ministers.

We have attempted to help our young men who could attend the schools. Why not attempt to aid these men on the field who are in the thick of the fight? We think they should be aided, and quickly and earnestly. If it is done, we must go to them on the field; this is what we are doing. Brethren, treat this work according to its importance—according to its real merit. That is all we ask. The Board is your servant to carry this work on, and we can do only what your contributions and endorsement make possible. We have had three men on the field, Brethren G. S. Anderson, G. A. Hornaday and F. C. David. Bro. Hornaday having recently resigned from the

work

The Board asked the denomination for \$3,000.00 with which to prosecute the work. Up to date we have received about \$800.00, and have subscriptions for about \$1.500.00. At the time of our great debt-paying campaign—God help and honor all the men of that campaign—some how our Board was left out, while we were about \$1,000.00 in debt. Now, brethren, you see the situation and understand the work which we are undertaking, and we hope you will not esteem our Board immodest, if it suggest that special attention be given this work now for a time, so that with the other Boards we may come to the Convention out of debt.

Funds should be sent to Dr. J. F. Purser, Office, Opelika, Ala.

C. J. BENTLEY, W. C. BROOKS, J. H. HOWELL, Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg leave to report the following: In the letters from the churches for this year we notice that only thirteen churches report Sunday Schools, while seventeen report no Sunday Schools. Brethren, this ought not to be. We contend that the Sunday School is the most powerful agency for the dissemination of the truths of the Bible among our home people of all organizations of the Church. God has said in His Word for us to search the Scriptures, and by a systematic study of God's Word in the Sunday School we may learn of God's blessed promises concerning us, and of the terrible retribution that awaits the children of

wrath. Bre hren, if there is one thing that the Church neglects more than any other thing, it is the reading and studying of God's Word. W sincerely pray for a great revival of Bible study and of Sunday School in the Carey Association. In the wrecks of time God's bless I truth is the only thing that shall stand the storm, and relying upon its glorious promises we may safely anchor in the haven of rest. Brethren, let us revive the Sunday School work in every Church in the Association. Respectfully submitted, I. D. DUNN, Chairman.

REPURT ON BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK.

This work means traveling in God's service distributing, selling and giving way the Bible and religious literature, preaching, pray-

ing and talk ng the Gospel of salvation.

There e e many homes in the land where people are not well supplied with God's word, the lamp of life. These homes do not read religious literature, but instead, their minds are either uncultivated for lack of reading wholesome books, or they are poisoned by books and papers cheap, because worthless, and thereby such homes become hurtful in their influence on the world The servant of God goes out in o the highways and hedges, seeking opportunities to place the Bi ie and good religious literature in the reach of all, and preaching rywhere as he goes. This work is being neglected in Carey Asso ation, where much is needed along this line. If this Association s to continue leaving off the employment of a Colporteur, we ear estly entreat all our pastors to see to it that each home represented in their churches be supplied with God's word and with good religious literature. This is an age of reading and people think and tolk about that which they read.

Let us elp to feed the minds of people with wholesome litera-ture whici, eaches that our "citizenship is in heaven, from whence we look for "Savior."

C. J. BENTLEY, Chairman. B. F. LUKER.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following: T. aperance is a subject that enlists every child of God. 1st. Temperance is one of the leading Christian graces that should characteriz every one of us. 2nd, Because it is to run through all of our live; therefore, we are taught in God's word to be temperate in all th ngs, if we take God's word as the man of our counsel; but to our s rrow there are too many claiming to be Baptists that are intemp rate almost in all things. Thou shalt not be drunken; but alas! he a many churches blot their church records with drunkenness, and grieve their Holy Spirit and wound their brethren. "No drunkard s. all enter into the kingdom of heaven." Fearful thought: therefore b whren, be sober and watch and pray, lest ye be tempted and be drusken. The drunken man is unfit for any worldly business, how much ess the business of the Church of God. Drunkenness wrecks first the man, then the home, and his part in the kingdom of God. Ther fore, his light becomes darkness. Brethren, man is disposed to be intemperate in all things; therefore, we find another intemperance, and that is an intemperate tongue—brother speaking evil of his brother—busy-bodies sitting as judge of his brother. Brethren, let your speech be in moderation, not ralling. Be temperate in your speech, not judging, lest ye be judged. An intemperate tongue is a world of fire, and sets the whole course of nature ont he fire of hell (Hades, death). The temperate tongue speaketh no evil. There is another intemperance to which we call your attention—the sin of covetousness—coveting after the things of this world—seeking after filthy luker to the neglect of the kingdom of God. God says, "Covet earnestly the best gifts." Let your lives be in temperance to the praise of God's glory. In all things be temperate. Let the ministers of Christ be examples to the Church in temperance, speaking the truth in words of soberness, not seeking their own but another's wealth, not given to much wine, not broilers in speech, not greedy after filthy luker—that others seeing our temperance, good works, may glorify our Father in heaven.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. Motley, Chairman.

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

Our Orphans' Home at Evergreen has been in operation about stycars. One hundred and fifteen boys and girls had been received at the Orphanage up to August, 1899: and out of the home have gone fifty-five. These have been adopted into good families, where they are cared for. The boys are taught to do farm work, and the girls are taught to do all kinds of house-work. The crop that the boys were making this year was greatly namaged by a hail storm in June

Mrs. Ansley, who has been Matron since the Home began, has resigned and Mrs. Hardy has succeeded her. The condition of the children has improved this year under the care of this good Christian woman. The children are gathered together on each Lord's day

to sing praises to God.

During this year Bro. J. W. Stewart has had to buy provisions for these children (who are Baptist dependents) on a credit. We feel that every true Baptist ought to blush at this state of affairs, and determine in his heart that he will do his duty toward helping these little children, remembering that he is a pensioner on the bounty of God: and God says that it is more blessed to give than to receive: and that when we give to the poor we lend to the Lord. It takes about ten dollars per day to feed this family, besides clothing donated. They have no income except the offerings of their friends: therefore we recommend that the churches take a collection for the children, and pray for the managers.

Respectfully submitted,
C. T. CULPEPPER.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, your Committee on Periodicals, would ask to make the fol-

lowing report:

The ÅLABAMA BAPTIST, being our State organ, should have our hearty support and encouragement. We would urge our people to support the Sunday school publications of the Southern Baptist Convention: first, because they are among the best; secondly, because it is our own. We would very earnestly urge our people to subscribe

for the Foreign Mission Journal, and know more of the effort to promulgate the Gospel beyond our borders. We also insist on our people supporting the publications of our Home Board.

Respectfully submitted,

H. INGRAM, Chairman.

CONSTITUTION.

This Association shall meet annually as an advisory council. and shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches of this union, and all regularly ordained ministers of our faith and order within the bounds of the body.

Each church shall be entitled to two messengers, irrespec-2. tive of numbers, and one for every additional fifty thereafter over

fifty.

The messengers and ministers thus convened shall be denom-

inated the CARRY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

4. This Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the members present at each session, and shall be of the body, holding their offices until the next election. The Clerk shall also be Treasurer of the Association.

5. The churches of this union shall express in their letters the names of their messengers and their postoffices, Sabbath of meeting, amount of contributions, number baptized, received by letter, restored to fellowship, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since the last

session of this Association.

6. No act of the Association shall be binding on the churches, but it shall be its duty to give advice in matters of difficulty and endeavor to preserve the union of the churches.

7. If any churches desire to be admitted into this union they shall petition by letter and messengers, and upon examination, if

found orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association.

8. Any church may withdraw from this Association at discretion, or, on application, may obtain a letter of dismission.

9. This Association shall use her own discretion as respects the

cause of missions, leaving the churches and members to exercise

their own opinion in such cases.

10. If any church in this union shall become offended with a sister church in the point of faith or practice, it shall be the duty of the aggrieved church to endeavor to reclaim the church thus offending, and if satisfaction cannot be obtained, the aggrieved church shall then call in the aid of one or two other churches to act with the first two assisting churches; and it shall be the duty of the churches thus called, to investigate and decide upon the matter of dealing and to report the same to the Association; and if the said accused church be guilty as charged, the Association shall withdraw from her.

II. This Association may correspond with other Associations and Conventions of the same faith and order, and withdraw her cor-

respondence at discretion.

12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made by two-thirds of the members in session.

13. This Association may have power to adjourn to any time and place she may deem most convenient.

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RULES OF DECORUM.

This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer. 2. Call for Letters from churches and enroll the names of messengers.

Proceed to election of Moderator and Clerk. 3.

Call for Petitionary Letters from churches desiring admission into this body.

5. Appoint Committees on Preaching and Finance.

Receive Correspondents.

7. DUTIES OF MODERATOR .- It shall be the duty of the Moderator to call the members to order before the Association; to receive and submit all questions regularly moved, and announce the result; to enforce the observance of decorum in debate among the members, and in general to perform all the duties incumbent upon a presiding officer.

DUTIES OF CLERK .- It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Association to keep a fair record of the proceedings; to notify committee of their appointment; to preserve the papers belonging to the Association, and to attend to the printing of the minutes, for

which he shall receive a reasonable compensation.

9. Duties of Members.-Members rising to speak shall address the Moderator. 2. Any member, in speaking, shall confine himself to the subject under consideration. 3. No member shall speak more than thrice on the same subject without permission from the Moderator. 4. No member will be permitted to indulge in talking or whispering, or any indecorus conduct, to the annoyance of the body in time of debate. 5. No member shall absent himself from the body without permission of the Moderator.

These Rules may be altered by a majority of the members

at a regular session of this body.

ARTICLES OF FAITH, PROOF TEXTS.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost-three in one. Matt., 3: 15-17; John, 14: 16:

Matt., 28:29.

ART. 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim., 3:16-17; 2 Peter, 1:19, 20, 21.

ART. 3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin; that Adam disobeyed God, and that all mankind inherited a sinful nature from Adam. Gen., 3:1-17; Psalms, 51;5; Rom., 5:12; Eph. 2:1.
ART. 4. We believe in man's inability to recover himself from

the fallen state he is in by nature, by himself alone. John, 6:44;

I Cor., 2:14; Rom., 8:7-8.

ART. 5. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace, according to the foreknowledge of God, the Father, through sanctification of the spirit, and belief of the truth. Rom., 11; 4-7; Thes., 2:13; I Peter, 1:2.

ART. 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ. Acts., 13: 39; Rom., 4:11, 12 and 23, 24, 25; Gal., 2:16.

ART. 7. We believe in the preservation of saints. Psalm, 37: 23, 24, 28; Micah, 7:8; John, 5:24 and 10:28; Rom., 8:35-39;

ART. 8. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are but true believers are fit subjects for the ordinances. John, 1:33: Matt., 3:13-17; Matt., 28:19; Acts, 1:22; Acts, 2:41; Matt., 26:6-30; i Cor., 11:28-26.

Art. 9. We believe in one Lord, one faith, and one baptism,

and immersion only is baptism. Eph., 4:5; Rom., 6:4-6; Col., 2:-12; Acts, 8:38-39; Mark, 1:9-10.

ART. 10. We believe that no one is qualified to preach and administer the ordinances of the Gospel except he be called of God, as was Aaron, is set apart by, and is in good standing with the church of which he is a member, and come under the hands of a presbytery. Mark, 3:14; Acts, 14:23; 1 Tim., 2:7, and 5:22; Heb., 5:4; John 4:2; Acts, 8:38.

ART. 11. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and the general judgment. John, 5:28-29; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts, 24:15.

ART. 12. We believe the joys of the righteous and the punishishment of the wicked will be eternal. Matt., 25:46; Rev., 7:15-16; Col., 3:4; I Thess., 4:17; 2 Thess., 1:7-9; Rev., 20:10, 14, 15; Matt., 25:41-43; 2 Thess., 2:13; Matt., 26:26-30.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS.

ORDAINED.

W. T. Davis, Lineville. J. W. Knowles, Lineville. R. Stodghill, Lineville. C. J. Bentley, Ashland. W. C. Brooks, Ashland. W. H. Harvell, Millerville. R. M. Allen, Emuckfaw. M. A. Johnson, Newsite. T. B. Fargason, Motley. J. A. Dunn, Daviston. F. L. Fuller, Elias. W. O. Jenkins, Daviston.

R. E. Conger, Hackneyville.
J. R. Conger, Hackneyville.
J. J. McCord, Gibsonville.
C. I. Wesley, Chandler Springs.
B. B. Cotton, Chandler Springs. James Muncus, Almond. Oscar Johnson, Almond. W. Jones, Elias. W. H. Johnson, Chandler Springs. Miles Holdridge, Sikesville. T. B. Fargason, Motley. L. F. Morgan, Chambers Springs. W. M. Worthy, Maitland. J. C. Motley, Daviston. J. K. Jenkins, Lineville.

LICENTIATES.

J. L. Joiner, Maitland. G. W. McMullins, Wesobulga. G. R. Wolf, Lineville. N. D. Parker, Maitland. G. C. Reid, Stockdale. J. J. Ogle, Truitt. L. W. Nelson, Concreet.

J. T. Anderson, Millerville. . M. Fant, Daviston. D. R. Laney, Daviston. S. Bennett, Daviston. J. W. Dean, Miller Valley. J. W. Carden, Chandler Springs. H. Ingram, Rozelle.



or

REV. M. B. GARRETT.

He was held in highest esteem by all who knew him, and his plous life and service for the Master won for him a Crown in Heaven.

IN MEMORY

OF

REV. M. M. DRIVER.

Beginning in the earliest years of its existence, Brother Driver continued, 'till the day of his death, to be one of the pillars of the Carey Association. Flay we imitate his faithful example.

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